

NAB's attempt to prevent XM Radio from providing substantive programming of a local nature. Specifically the instant traffic and weather is nothing short of censorship.

It appears to me that they wish to simply keep others from doing something "just in case they choose to do it later on another station" if the need was not there then the service would not be offered. I know for a fact in many of the markets that XM Radio currently provides service for there are no local outlets providing the level of comprehensive programming that XM does.

This is like Burger King running to the Federal Trade Commission and asking that they order McDonalds from selling hamburgers in a certain city because they want to. I say let the market decide. If the programming content of the NAB backed stations is better then they have nothing to fear from competition.

This is a simple case of first amendment violations, as well as a simple fair trade issue. The NAB needs to grow up and quit acting like a spoiled child and get decent content compete on the level playing field instead of whining to have the better players ejected from the game.